CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST FOR ESB 168

Citations Affected: IC 12-15-23-6.

Synopsis: Medicaid fraud. Specifies that a prosecuting attorney may refer a case involving abuse or neglect of a Medicaid patient, in addition to Medicaid fraud, to the attorney general for prosecution. (This conference committee report removes language added by the House concerning credit services organizations.)

Effective: July 1, 2006.

Adopted Rejected

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Conference Committee appointed to confer with a like committee from the Senate upon Engrossed House Amendments to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 168 respectfully reports that said two committees have conferred and agreed as follows to wit:

that the Senate recede from its dissent from all House amendments and that the Senate now concur in all House amendments to the bill and that the bill be further amended as follows:

1	Delete the title and insert the following:	
2	A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning	
3	Medicaid.	
4	Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:	
5	SECTION 1. IC 12-15-23-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS	
6	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2006]: Sec. 6. (a) If the state	
7	Medicaid fraud control unit determines that an action based on the state	
8	Medicaid fraud control unit's investigations under the unit's authority	
9	under IC 4-6-10-1.5 is meritorious, the unit shall certify the facts drawn	
0	from the investigation to the prosecuting attorney of the judicial circuit	
1	in which the crime may have been committed.	
2	(b) The state Medicaid fraud control unit shall assist the prosecuting	
3	attorney in prosecuting an action under this section.	
4	(c) A prosecuting attorney to whom facts concerning alleged	
5	Medicaid fraud are certified under subsection (a) may refer the matter	
6	to the attorney general.	
7	(d) If a matter has been referred to the attorney general under	
8	subsection (c), the attorney general may:	
9	(1) file an information in a court with jurisdiction over the matter	
0.2	in the county in which the offense is alleged to have been	
2.1	committed; and	
22	(2) prosecute the alleged offense.	
	(Reference is to ESB 168 as printed February 17, 2006.)	

Conference Committee Report on Engrossed Senate Bill 168

Signed by	:
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Senator Miller Chairperson	Representative Thomas
Senator Sipes	Representative Brown C
Senate Conferees	House Conferees